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SUBJECT: Minutes of the Second Meeting of the Publication Procurement and Exploitation Conference, 10 October 1956 (U)

TO: See Distribution:

1. (UNCLASSIFIED) The following representatives were present at the meeting:

Mr R. W. Bauer (Chairman)	CBCFR
CWO S. Ludwig	CBCFR
Capt J. Aaron	CmIC
Mr E. C. Vogel	Engr/AMS
Mr D. W. Platt	Engr/AMS
Mr M. P. Connaughton (Observer)	Engr/EID
Dr I. D. Dickman	MedC
Miss M. Holdsworth	OrdC
Mr B. L. Smith	QMC
Mrs H. Mounts	QMC
Mr H. Just	SigC
Mr D. C. Allen	SigC
Mr R. F. Waring	TC

2. (UNCLASSIFIED) The minutes of the first meeting were accepted without additions or emendations.

3. (CONFIDENTIAL) The Chairman provided the representatives of each agency with a copy of the minutes of the 7th meeting of the Subcommittee on Exploitation of Foreign Language Publications. He explained to the conferees that these copies were for their information and would be provided regularly. He also stated that he welcomed any comments on the minutes which the conferees might have.

4. (CONFIDENTIAL) The Chairman then informed the conferees that the Subcommittee on Exploitation of Foreign Language Publications would review the present USSR nonscientific exploitation program on 12 October and requested comments by each agency on the accuracy of the program as reflected in the

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various reports issued by Foreign Documents Division (FDD), CIA.\* Representatives of CmIC, OrdC, QMC, and SigC stated their agencies were satisfied with the program; representatives of EngrC, MedC, and TC withheld comment until later. The Chairman concluded the discussion by stating that he would appreciate comments at any time on the scope, content, and format of the various FDD reports which were being prepared under the program, and he would bring such comments to the attention of the Subcommittee on Exploitation for necessary action.

5. (UNCLASSIFIED) CWO Ludwig informed the conferees that if each agency would provide Intelligence Document Branch with a copy of each periodical SRI, which cited special funding, this would insure speedy receipt of the periodicals by the requesting agencies. A number of questions were raised, and it was finally concluded that in the future periodical requests which cited special funding should include instructions concerning the addressing of the periodicals to the attention of the requesting agency. In this way, Intelligence Document Branch would be relieved of the problem of recording and disseminating the periodicals and consequently would not require a copy of the SRI. For SRI's which do not contain a funding citation, an extra copy marked for CDCFR would help to insure correct distribution of the publications.

6. (UNCLASSIFIED) Discussion of Consultants Bureau Program. The Chairman stated that the Consultants Bureau in New York City has announced plans for expansion of its Russian subscription translations coverage from six (6) to fifty-three (53) journals. The journals, which would include portions of the proceedings of the Academy of Sciences, would be translated from cover to cover and the total cost per year for one complete subscription would be approximately \$5,500, although individual journal subscriptions could be obtained. The Chairman stated that CIA planned to subscribe for a full set of the translations which would be catalogued by the Consolidated Translation Service of FDD, but he considered that at least selected subscriptions should be obtained by OACSI for intelligence purposes; this would not preclude the Technical Services from subscribing for selected translations for their retention. In view of the cost of the translations, a question was raised concerning the possibility of obtaining microfilm copies of the translations from the Library of Congress at a considerable saving to the requester. The Chairman agreed that this was a possibility, but he questioned whether copyright laws would permit reproduction of the translations. At the conclusion of the discussion, it was decided that the Chairman should prepare a D/F to the Technical Services suggesting several possible approaches to the Consultants Bureau program and requesting comments.

7. (CONFIDENTIAL) Discussion of the Publication Program Described in Par. 18b, AR 381-25, and How it is to be Coordinated with "CERP" Publication Program. The Chairman reviewed the purpose of Par. 18b, AR 381-25, stating that it was designed to secure lists of periodicals of possible intelligence

\* A list of FDD's reports on the USSR was read by the Chairman and is attached to the minutes as Inclosure 1.

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interest, which could then be circulated to various elements of OACSI and the Technical Services for them to select the titles they wished to receive. This would then permit preparation of a consolidated subscription list which would also be used to establish proper distribution. In the discussion of the publication program which ensued, the following points were developed:

a. Because of the difficulty of insuring rapid circulation of publications to several agencies, and the virtual impossibility of maintaining control of each issue of a publication after circulation commenced, it was decided that copies should be routed to no more than two agencies. In the event more than two agencies are interested in a publication, additional subscriptions should be obtained. The distribution and number of subscriptions should also reflect the desire of agencies for retention copies.

b. Regarding procurement of Soviet and Satellite publications, several of the conferees pointed out that Berlin, Budapest, and Warsaw were the cheapest sources. The CMC representative informed the conferees that the 510th MI Group in Berlin had a considerable number of linguists and could procure and process a large volume of publications.

c. One of the major problems in processing periodicals received from the field is that of obtaining translations of tables of contents. Of the agencies represented, only AMS has the capability to do this regularly. The Chairman stated that some of the Army Attachés had the capability of translating tables of contents in the field, but in such posts as Czechoslovakia and Rumania, this would be impossible. He expressed the opinion that at many posts, "FAST" students might be employed or the Attachés could have the translations performed by indigenous personnel on a contractual basis. In answer to a question raised by the SigC representative, it was decided that when more than one copy of a periodical was transmitted, a copy of the translated table of contents should be attached to each copy of the publication.

8. (CONFIDENTIAL) The Chairman then pointed out that the "CERP" publication procurement program involved considerable duplication with the program in paragraph 18b, AR 381-25, and especially with the instructions in paragraph 18a(7) of the same regulation. The latter calls for procurement of seven (7) copies of "Important Government publications, particularly those announcing policy, and official statistics, returns, and annual reports of government agencies such as the Ministry of Health and Posts, Telephone and Telegraph Bureaus." The Chairman stated that he believed more expeditious coordination could be conducted in the field than in Washington. In this connection, he pointed out that in 1953 it had been recommended in the IAC Procurement Subcommittee that a publication procurement committee be established at each post, but this proposal had never been accepted. Following a discussion, it was recommended that the problem of "CERP" duplication be reconsidered after the "CERP" program had been in effect for a longer period.

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9. (CONFIDENTIAL) A discussion of the "TRASH" program followed. In particular, objections were raised to the emphasis being placed on order of battle. It was recommended that an attempt be made to improve the collection of "TRASH" for scientific and technical purposes. It was also recommended that a list of KVP manuals forwarded by USAREUR should be prepared for the information of the Technical Services.

10. (UNCLASSIFIED) The next conference will be held on 7 November 1956 at 1000 hours in Pentagon Room 3C468. Suggested agenda items will be submitted to the Chairman by 24 October.

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